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Births.
BURNELL.—February 1, at Ardross, Milson's Point, North Shore, the wife of Mr. H. Burnell, manager A. J. S. Bank, U.S.A.
MEALY.—January 31, at Layton, Mrs. Elizabeth Bay Point, the wife of Patrick Joseph Healy, of a son.
HENDERSON.—December 18, 1885, at Southsea, England, the wife of Mr. W. H. Henderson, a solicitor.
MILLER.—January 29, at her residence, Bulli, the wife of John Hill Miller, post and telegraph master, of a son.
SHAW.—January 28, at 4, Louis-terrace, Waverley, the wife of Wm. Ferguson Shaw, of a son.

MARRIAGES.
FOOK.—JANUARY 27.—Mr. & Mrs. A. D. Davis, Henry Fook to Jessie Hall, of both this city.
NIEDHARDT.—MELTHAM.—January 11, by special license, at St. Thomas' Petersham, Rev. Father Long, kind Niedhardt (Medical Hall, Hongkong), and Caroline, eldest daughter of Ladel T. Meltham, Kensington-road, Summer Hill, Sydney.
SULLIVAN.—MELTHAM.—January 20, by special license, Rev. Father Long, kind Niedhardt (Medical Hall, Hongkong), and Mary, second daughter of Ladel T. Meltham, Kensington-road, Summer Hill, Sydney.
JOHN THOMPSON.—JANUARY 27.—At Croydon Congregational Church, by the Rev. Samuel Bryant, assisted by the father of the bridegroom, Thomas, sixth son of the Rev. George Thompson, of the Wesleyan Chapel, Croydon, and daughter of John Thompson, Esq., Fennant Hill, Sydney.

Deaths.
GARROD.—January 20, at his residence, Perry-street, St. Peters, through injuries accidentally received, Charles Garrod, beloved husband of Mary Garrod, aged 45 years and 4 months. Received in the afternoon of the 20th instant.
MCLELLAN.—January 20, at his residence, the Crooked Billet Hotel, George-square, North, Pastie, the dearly-beloved husband of Maria L. Keane, aged 47 years. Repose in peace.
MILBURN.—January 1, at Oakdale, Princes Hill, Middlesex, after a short but painful illness of bronchitis and congestion of the lungs, aged 9 weeks.

In Memoriam.

FROST.—In loving remembrance of William, the beloved son of John and Anna Frost, who died suddenly February 2, 1885. Dearest, but too few.

FROST.—In loving remembrance of my dear brother, William T. Frost, who died February 2, 1885.

For a son, so fond a brother;

He was a man of great worth;

And his loved ones will miss him.

E. E. SWINBY.—In loving remembrance of our dear son, Henry James Swinby, died at Waverley February 2, 1885. Not lost, but gone before.

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OUR ROCKHAMPTON LETTER.

ROCKHAMPTON, JAN. 25.

We have had really valuable "Christmas boxes" and "New Year's gifts," during the past month, in the form of splendid rains—rains which have extended over a very considerable area, and fairly covered the land with verdure. Things had come to a terrible pass with us before those rains came, and rumours of impending ruin were heard from every direction. Hope had well-nigh deserted us, and we could see little to comfort us except what relief one might squeeze out of the tight grip of the Insolvency Court. Happily, however, all this is now changed; and the genial showers we have experienced have not only helped us to make merry at this joyous season, but have encouraged the belief that they will be followed next month, when our usual rainy season commences, by a more bountiful downpour, such as will give to us another period of plenty and contentment.

I told you in my last that the Lake's Creek works were about to close, and that event, so much to be deplored, has since taken place. I am hopeful, however, that in a short time they will once more be in full swing, giving employment to hundreds of men, and by absorbing the surplus fat stock now accumulating upon the great runs of the west, help to moderate the losses which squatters have experienced during the prevalence of the drought. At the present moment several gentlemen are engaged in different parts of the Central District canvassing for extra shares to meet the financial difficulty of the company, and they have so far succeeded in their mission that it is confidently expected they will be able to place before the annual general meeting of shareholders, to be held early next month, such a report as will justify the drivers in making a fresh start in holding down the account for the season, set in about the end of March. I am pleased to say that local squatters have come forward very handsomely in the matter of taking up fresh leases, and that out of £22,000 required to meet the bill's payable and set the company on a sound financial basis, upwards of £15,000 is already as good as guaranteed; so that with a little assistance from southern capitalists, who are interested in the works and the keeping up of the price of fat stock, there seems to me to be little to hinder the successful achievement of the desired object.

It is beyond doubt that since the works were established stockmen have realised at the very least an advantage of 70 per cent, and if the works should be permanently closed, or are allowed to pass into private hands—the latter not an unlikely contingency—if the company collapses—the price of stock will at once recede, the quantity of cattle will go on increasing at an enormous rate, the land will be impoverished, and the country reduced to a barren desert. At a meeting of the company held the other day it was asserted in sober earnestness by Messrs. Dutton Bros., who are among the heaviest shareholders, that one immediate effect of winding-up the company would be a depreciation of 50 per cent in the price of pastoral land, and if this estimate is at all near the mark, I think it needs only to be carefully thought over for ten minutes to determine those interested in pastoral affairs as to the course they ought to adopt.

I am sorry to say that the company has lost the services of one of its most influential and peculiarly-interested directors, the Hon. Archibald Archer, the squire of Gracemere, and one of the earliest settlers, if not absolutely the pioneer, of the Port Curtis district. Mr. Archer has been identified with Rockhampton since it has been Rockhampton; has represented the Blackall district in Parliament for many years; and so honestly has he allied himself with all that appears to its welfare that, while some years ago he gave the position of Agent-General, he refused the honour because he had connected himself with the old Separatist movement, and would not be his principles for the highest prize that his adopted country could offer him. He held the position of Colonial Treasurer in the McIlwraith Administration, and proved in every way a most worthy Lieutenant to his chief. He will be greatly missed in Rockhampton, where he was universally respected and regarded as every man's friend, which, in truth, he was. On the day of his departure Mr. Archer was entertained at a midday luncheon, when representative men of every quality of creed, class, and politics, came together to wish him God-speed, "a quick restoration to health, and a speedy return to the colony." The retirement of Mr. Archer will involve an election for the Blackall District, and I am sure it will not be an easy master to fill his place. He was the father of the district, and connected with every interest in it, so that as a parliamentary representative he was practically without his peer.

I am also sorry to say that our principal educational establishment, the Rockhampton Grammar School, is under a ban. Although started under the most favourable auspices and with almost a clean sheet, the institution is in debt, the number of pupils is decreasing every quarter; the teachers are constantly resigning; and, in fact, everything seems to go backwards. What the real cause of this unsatisfactory condition of affairs may be, no one appears to say. Some allege that the original trustees wished to make the school too exclusive; that they held their meetings with doors closed against the press, &c.; others, that they were wasteful in their management of their finances, paid too high salaries, and kept too many teachers; while others again aver that the great mistake has been in erecting the school so far from the centre of population, combining under one roof school for boys and female, without providing special recreation grounds for each sex. I believe there is an amount of truth in each of these allegations, and especially in the latter; and this was evidently felt at a meeting of the subscribers held the other day, it was resolved on the motion of Mr. G. B. Shaw, "That in the opinion of this meeting the time has arrived when the use of the Grammar School building for a Girls' Grammar School is not conducive to the success of that branch of the institution, and is therefore of opinion that steps should be taken by all well-wishers of this branch of education to raise a Grammar School for girls as a separate institution." The Rev. W. A. Digges, the rector of St. Paul's, seconded the resolution, and hit the nail on the head when he said that one of the chief reasons why the Grammar School had not been more successful was that the trustees had not taken the public into their confidence. The trustees had been too thin-skinned, and fearful of criticism, which, though it might be severe at the moment, did an immense amount of good in the long run. I am glad to say that as the outcome of the meeting a sum of about £1,000 has been gathered or guaranteed as the nucleus of a fund for providing a separate grammar school for girls, Mr. Ogg leading off with a cheque for £20. By an Act of the Legislature passed as far back as 1860, the collection of this £1,000 will enable the promoters to go to the Government and obtain £2,000 as a subsidy towards erecting the school building; and when they get sufficient scholars to pay £250 a year they will be entitled to an additional yearly subsidy of £500. Beyond this, the Act referred to provides that if the promoters guarantee that the fee will be £250 a year for three years in succession, Government will supplement this with £500 per annum in perpetuity. Now, with such splendid inducements before the community, is it not really wonderful that a city of the importance of Rockhampton should have remained so long without a high scholastic establishment for the young lad of the community? Why, all that is needed is 50 young girls to pay £25 a year, and the whole thing is done. Need more be said? I think not. To a man with a family, say, of half-a-dozen daughters a subscription of £25 towards the Girls' Grammar School will be a capital investment. He will have the whole crew of them educated in £20 a year, and when they grow up he will be under his own watchful eye and nurtured beneath his own roof. Verily I think good will come out of the poor ill-management of the Grammar School.

A singular instance of boozing has transpired here lately. A few weeks ago a publican took it into his head to do a generous thing by reducing the price of colonial drinks from sixpence to threepence, and the bait took immensely. His bar was thronged, and the "long-sleevens" continued to be poured down the thirsty throats of the honest working man from early morn till long after devy six o'clock—very much to the chagrin of some of the other beer-sellers. They, however, met in solemn council as the Licensed Victuellers' Association, and actually passed a resolution binding themselves not to do business with any firm or firms who supplied beer to their erring brother of the "shop at the corner."

Speaking of hotels leads me to the opposite pole—Rockhampton. During last week the Rev. Robert Hartstall, a veteran temperance worker and the father of many, a veteran temperance worker and the father of many,

Primitive Methodism in Queensland, celebrated his jubilee in that double capacity, and the event was made quite a red letter day in Rockhampton. He has been a singularly successful preacher and social reformer during his long residence in this city, and has lived to see much of the seed he had sown ripen into full fruition. Every charitable and philanthropic object found in Robert Hartley a warm sympathiser, advocate, and supporter, and it was fitting and honourable on the part of the community to recognise his Christian work and zealous labours at the close of a campaign in the service of the master extending over a period of 50 years. This was done in a substantial way and in the presence of a large body of the leading citizens and a crowd of temperance people and ministers of religion. The promotion took the form of a purse of sovereigns (nearly £200) and took, and was made by the Mayor of North Rockhampton (Mr. J. W. Face) on behalf of the Municipality. A great number of the chief leaders of the local option party, namely, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Mr. Caine, Mr. Whitworth, and Mr. G. W. Russell, these four candidates were known to be specially connected with the subject, and they all made speeches on publicising legislation a prominent feature in their various campaigns. The result was a decided victory. Many minor supporters of the scheme have of course been returned, though they are well balanced by a number who have lost their seats and by the admission of others who have openly opposed to local option. My point, however, is that the triumph of the local option party in the United Kingdom Alliance declared a great deal in 1880 from the fact that several brews were then unsuccessful, and I believe Sir Wilfrid Lawson wrote some poetry on the subject; but if these men and their adherents in the campaign were not most singularly successful in the present case. However that may be, it is still more significant fact—and no one who has read the candidates' speeches on the subject can doubt it is a fact—is that a majority of members in the new House of Commons entertain extremely strong opinions in favour of temperance.

An important ceremony has been performed on the north side of the river. I mean the opening of the North Rockhampton council-chambers. The building is a very substantial one, and is erected of bricks manufactured within the municipality. It is in every way a credit to the contractor, Mr. J. Burton, who has made little out of the job, but has made the job a really good one. The Mayor (Alderman Face) performed the ceremony.

The Emu Park railway will soon be set on foot; and if the Lake's Creek works resume operations, as I firmly believe they will, a great impetus will be given to this rising suburb. At the moment an election is going on, and there are no fewer than seven candidates for three seats. So that the honour of further nursing the new municipality is still coveted. Some people say, however, that there is a prospect of Sir Anthony Musgrave being led to come and turn the first sod.

The elections for the vacancies in the City Council passed over quietly. Two of the retiring aldermen did not seek re-election, and the third (the ex-major) was returned to his seat without opposition. The new members who also enjoyed a walk-over are Mr. A. T. Wood and Mr. James Williamson, both former members of the corporation. Mr. Williamson having held the Chief Magistracy in 1884. The new Mayor (who was unanimously elected) is Mr. T. Kelly, a well-known merchant and a very old resident.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

We have received a copy of Harris's *Official Guide and Almanac* for the year 1886, which has again included the latest information on mining.

The work contains much interesting information on postal, telegraphic, and railway arrangements, stamp and post-office rates, and cable fares, together with some interesting statistics with regard to the population and commercial progress of Australia. In addition to the lists of the officers in the various departments under Government, and of the towns of the colony, with their respective distances from the capital, and marks indicating telegraph stations, post-offices, and savings banks. The guide is admirably printed, with cut edges and a stiff cloth binding.

Sawtell's *Nautical Almanac* for the year 1886 is in hand.

It consists mainly of information on nautical affairs relating to the port of Adisusas such as lists of the buoys and beacons, the coast and harbours of the colony, and the sailing times of all the shipping routes.

There are also tables of tides, currents, and winds.

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the later case, as well as in the earlier, that it would not let any business be done by the Government until it had stood its trial. Mr. Drans asked to go on for a fortnight, and it was refused. Sir JOHN ROBERTSON proposed to go on for a week; but, at the suggestion of the leader of the Opposition, and doubtless forecasting the decision of the House, he quietly shelved the private business for the week, and gave up a Government day also. We feel some sympathy with Sir HENRY PARKER's protest against making it a precedent to adjourn for a week or ten days to enable the Treasurer to make his financial statement. It would be wrong to follow that course in ordinary cases. But this can hardly be called an ordinary case. Looking at the nature of the crisis, the fact that the question of finance is the one demanding immediate settlement, and at the composition of the Government, which raises a presumption of its inability to deal satisfactorily with the matter, there are special reasons in this case for following the precedent set in December, and treating the financial statement as a want of confidence motion would be treated, by suspending all business until the issue is decided. The precedent was set on the 4th December.

The massacre of the Civil Service in South Australia, in pursuance of the policy of retrenchment insisted upon by the members of the Assembly, has for some time past engrossed the attention of the public in that colony. The heavy falling-off in the revenue, combined with the extreme depression of trade, necessitated stringent measures for the purpose of equalising the public revenue and expenditure. The Government endeavoured to weather the storm by introducing fresh taxation, including a long catalogue of additions to the list of ad valorem duties. But fresh taxation, severe and unpalatable as it was, did not appear to be a sufficiently drastic remedy for the evil in the eyes of the Assembly, and honorable members accordingly undertook to deal with themselves. They took the Estimates of Expenditure in hand, and passed a resolution to the effect that the sum total should be reduced by a certain lump sum. Ministers complacently took their Estimates back again, and since then the responsible head of each department has been engaged in the task of reducing expenditure by dismissing subordinate officials, cutting down salaries, and striking off every possible item in the service which offered a chance of reduction. The details of this retrenchment are sufficiently painful to read, representing as they do an immense amount of suffering inflicted upon individuals—sacrificed, like the hecatombs of old, to the extreme necessities of the State. Officials of the lower grades, poorly paid at the best, have been swept off by hundreds, at very short notice and with nothing in the shape of compensation; while the heads of departments and others drawing large salaries have, for the most part, escaped.

The extent to which these reductions have been carried may be gathered from the fact that the men in the locomotive and carriage departments of the railways were called upon either to submit to the loss of one and a quarter days' pay in the week, or, as an alternative, to work overtime. They took the required reduction of their pay, which now stands at the rate of £1 6s. 1d. per week. This is the first instance in the history of Civil Service reductions, we believe, in which the wages of the working classes have been subjected to wholesale retrenchment of this kind. If it says something for the impartiality of the Government, it says a good deal more for the desperate condition of the revenue. Further reductions have been made in the Railway Department by largely reducing the number of trains per day on certain lines, the total amount of savings thus effected being calculated at £1000. Thus we read that "on the Port Adelaide line the ordinary day service has been reduced by six trains either way. The passenger train on the Port Pirie and Port Augusta line has been made a mixed train, the goods train having been discontinued." But as the discontinuance of trains must necessarily involve a diminution of traffic, it is not easy to see how this sort of retrenchment can very well answer the public purpose. The Police Force has also been included in the list of *condamned*. The staff of constables in the city and country has been considerably reduced, and a number of police stations have been closed. Policemen will no longer be employed to collect the names of voters on the electoral rolls, the reduction being justified on the plea that voters can look after themselves. The agricultural statistics have been dispensed with, as well as the electoral rolls; so that the colony will have no means of comparing its agricultural progress with that of the other colonies, as heretofore. A local journal enters its protest against this item, on the ground that "we shall cut a very sorry figure in the general Australasian statistics if, in the case of South Australia, the columns under the usual headings are blanks, and a foot-note is added to the effect that the colony was too poor to be able to go to the expense of taking stock of its position." The amount saved on this head is £4000. In the Education Department the salaries of teachers and inspectors have been reduced to the extent of £2000 a year. A number of post and telegraph offices have been closed in the country districts; the staff of light-house-keepers has been reduced by one man at each station; local Courts have been abolished in several places, and the services of many paid magistrates dispensed with.

These reductions may be taken as fair specimens of the system adopted by the Government in carrying out the instructions of the Legislature. It is not surprising to learn that they have caused widespread dissatisfaction among the people at large, as well as in the Civil Service itself; and that serious doubts have been expressed as to the effect of such a policy in the efficiency of the service. No doubt, a very strong impression has existed in Adelaide that the Civil Service was overgrown, and could very well bear retrenchment. A similar impression exists here, and probably in all the other colonies. But for the existence of some such belief, the wholesale dismissals which took place in Victoria on "Black Wednesday" would not have found so many apologists as they did. The New Zealand Government was probably influenced by much the same opinion when it resolved some years ago to reduce all salaries in the service by 10 per cent. But in

that case, as in the Victorian, the attack upon the Civil Service originated with the Government, whereas in South Australia it originated with the Assembly. The difference is worth bearing in mind. Piecemeal reductions in the Estimates are, of course, to be expected whenever a cry for retrenchment charms the public ear; but the South Australian case is the first instance of the kind in which the popular branch of the Legislature, of its own motion, has determined to cut down the whole body of the estimates by a lump sum. It must be presumed that it had fully considered the policy, or impolicy, of cutting down the public services root and branch, and that it had fairly arrived at that conclusion after due consideration of the facts. It is difficult, at this distance from the scene, to form any opinion on the merits of such a scheme; but it would certainly appear to be rash and ill-considered, effected at a terrible cost of suffering to individuals, and yet abounding in serious risks to the public interests, violating the essential principles of the service as a contract between the State and its officials, and, after all, affording a very slight relief to a failing revenue and disordered finances.

The Minister for Works (Hon. J. Gorrand) made an inspection yesterday to take the tramways at North Shore, and from that he has got a clear idea of what had been made by the engineers. He considers there is no reason why the tramways should not be put into the line at the present month. From the tramway line Mr. Gorrand receded to the locality known as the Cross Roads, and thence travelled to Chatsworth, which is the point of junction on the projected branch line from Point's Corner to Cross's Neck and to Balmain Head. Mr. Gorrand's object was to see the kind of country over which the branch line, if constructed, would go as the noise of the land must be a material item in the cost of the railway. On Thursday last Mr. Gorrand, it will be remembered, stated in the Assembly that, pending an inquiry as to the probable cost of the land which would have to be resumed if the branch line were constructed, the Government had decided to postpone the consideration of the Engineers-in-Chief's recommendation for a less costly route and scheme.

Tax date for the Masonic banquet to Lord Carrington, which had been fixed for Wednesday, the 10th instant, has been altered until the following day, Thursday, the 11th inst. The banquet is to take place in the Exhibition Building, Prince Alfred Park.

With reference to the bridge which the Government have decided upon having erected over the Hawkesbury River in connection with the railway from Homebush to Waratah, the following information, additional to what we have already published, may be of interest:—The distance between the abutments will be 230 feet, and this will be divided into seven spans. The girders will be of steel, and of the American lattice type, with pin fastenings, their length being about 40 feet between end pins, and they will be 51 feet 3 inches in effective depth. The pier from water level to near the bottom will be 48 feet by 20 feet, with semi-circular ends; but at the bottom they will be increased to 52 feet by 24 feet. They will be of Portland cement concrete, with a wrought-iron skin. Above low water the piers will be somewhat ornamental in character and built of stone. The bottom of the deepest pier is expected to be 170 feet below high-water level.

The two most prominent items in the report of the INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE, an abstract of which is published elsewhere, are the increase of drunkenness in Sydney and the wholesale violation of the Sunday closing law. The apprehensions for drunkenness in the Metropolitan District last year numbered nearly 13,000, being about 1000 in advance of the number of apprehensions in the previous year. That the rate of increase, however, is not so great as is indicated by the circumstance that many of the offenders were young people. Mr. Fossey remarks, with sorrow, that drunkenness is rapidly increasing amongst the young, and he states that they have no sense of shame when they are placed in the dock to be punished for indulging in the vice. Prosperity and leisure are, no doubt, the chief causes of these dissolute habits. Large wages and short hours, which are the privileges of boys in this country as well as of their seniors, create temptations to drink and disorderliness, which many of them find to be irresistible; and so, before they reach manhood, they become social pests. Clearly this is an evil which should not be disposed of with a few words of criticism. It needs to be dealt with strongly and decisively. Outside of philanthropy, we have no agency that can arrest the plague and prevent these young people from becoming a nuisance and a danger; and philanthropy can do only a little in this direction. The discipline of the watchhouse and the gaol is practically useless. Legislation might provide an effective remedy, and it may be that this will have to be resorted to. Concerning the violation of the Sunday closing law, the report says that no less than 629 of the 822 licensed victuallers in the metropolis are guilty of this offence. Unfortunately, in the majority of instances the transgressions cannot be legally detected. The police are not able to detect the police. The effects of the law-breaking are said to be deplorable. Hundreds of wives have complained to the INSPECTOR-GENERAL of the misery occasioned to themselves and their children through Sunday drinking. The public should not tolerate this wholesale defiance of the law, or should ask whether a law that is practically powerless can be a good one.

The election of the committee of the School of Arts for the current year takes place this afternoon. More than ordinary interest attaches to the election; because, if report speaks truly, a certain sect in the city are going to make a vigorous effort to get the management of the institution into their own hands. A project of this kind cannot possibly be to the advantage of the School of Arts, and, therefore, it will be the duty of the members to do all in their power to defeat it. The institution is subsidised liberally by the State, on the understanding that its management shall be strictly unsectarian; and any violation of that understanding by the committee, or the members, would, of course, justify the Government in withholding its support. As the membership embraces every shade of opinion, it is desirable that all classes of opinion should be represented on the committee. It would be a great mistake to try to exclude a candidate because his views on some great subject—religion, for example—differed from those which are generally accepted. It is to be feared that there have been times in the history of the School of Arts when the members who are elected upon to fulfil, and he enunciates 24, including the functions of inn-keepers, of slough-shoos, weights and measures, distilleries, and inspectors under the Licensing, Explosive, and Fisheries Acts. They are also deputed to collect the electoral lists, stock and card returns, mills, manufacturers, schools, and jury lists, and to act as inquiry agents for various purposes. With reference to public offences during the past year coming under the immediate cognizance of the police, the Inspector-General states that there is a decrease in the commission of more serious crimes throughout the colony, but no marked improvement as regards the misbehaviour and party offences committed in Sydney and suburbs. The report further refers with regret to the fact that the records on the subject of intemperance are not more favourable. It states that the law prohibiting Sunday trading is extensively and systematically evaded; and that no less than 629 holders of licences are over 822 in the metropolitan district carry on Sunday trading. The report contains other matters of interest.

The storm in the Victorian coast had moderated yesterday, but the barometers were still abnormally low, and the weather was cold, wet, and wintry. It seems probable that the disturbance will pass off to the eastward, but it is still possible that it may come northward, and be felt upon the New South Wales coast. The weather in Sydney yesterday was fine and clear, but there were signs of impending change, and at times the sky assumed the appearance it usually wears before a "southerly" burst over the city. The wind was variable and unsteady, veering from north-east round by north to south-west. Late in the afternoon the wind blew from the westward, and the heat was considerable. At night there was some lightning to the eastward, but the sky was clear, and the temperature fell. It will be seen by reference to the weather map that the barometers are still very low in Victoria, but are rising slowly. At Low Head, Tasmania, the barometer at 9 a.m. stood at 29.38, showing a rise of only 0.63 since Saturday at 9 a.m.; and at Wilson's Promontory it stood at 29.13. At Cape Borda it was 29.04, and still higher to the west, and rising; while in South Australia it is raining and threatening rain in many places. At 3 p.m. there was scarcely any change in the barometers in Victoria. The weather was wet and cold, but the wind was lower, although at Wilson's Promontory the barometer still read 29.47.

The Mayor of Sydney, at his own expense, has caused to be laid in Park-street some pavement made of Limmer's asphaltum. It is similar to that laid in London, Paris, Berlin, and other principal cities of Europe. The cost is less than that of pavement made of Portland stone. The material is eminently durable and pleasant to walk upon, and his Worship thinks it is worthy of wide introduction here.

The kerbing and guttering of the city have not been prepared to the satisfaction of the present Mayor. Hollows and scalps were left in them in which water lodged and softened the stone. His Worship has therefore given orders that all kerbing and guttering shall be dressed smooth. In this condition he thinks they will possess greater durability.

By the express yesterday afternoon Cardinal Moran and his secretary (the Very Rev. Dr. O'Hara) left for Melbourne. The new Roman Catholic Cathedral in Dunedin, New Zealand, is to be blessed and opened with great religious ceremony on the 14th instant, and in order to be present at this event the principal Prelate prelates, the Cardinal intends to take the steamer which leaves Melbourne for New Zealand to-morrow. It is generally understood that the Roman Catholics of Dunedin are to show their appreciation of the honour of the Cardinal's visit by giving him a public welcome. It is probable that the Cardinal

will visit all the important cities and districts of New Zealand before returning to Sydney.

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday afternoon, under the presidency of Mr. W. McMillan. The annual report, which was published in the *Herald* of Saturday last, was taken as read, and, on the motion of the chairman, was adopted. A committee was elected for the current year, and a resolution was passed providing for a reduction of the entrance fee in cases where gentlemen join the Chamber during the second half of the year.

The annual meeting of the Australasian Wesleyan Missionary Society was held yesterday evening at the York-street Wesleyan Church. Mr. Thomas Rowe, F.R.I.B.A., presided, and on the platform were a large number of clergymen and others. The Rev. R. S. Sower, the President of the Conference, proposed the adoption of the annual report. Mr. W. Robson seconded the proposition, and it was carried unanimously. The Rev. Dr. Kelynn delivered an eloquent address, and the meeting was addressed by Rev. Joni Faupula, a native minister in Tonga. A collection was made, and it was announced that during the day a sum of about £200 had been subscribed towards the Tongan Relief Fund, £75 of which came from the members of the Conference. The proceedings were closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman and the singing of the Doxology. A report of the proceedings will be found in another part of the present issue.

At the monthly meeting of the committee of the Church Society on Monday last the Vicar of the Ardudene in the chair, a grant at the rate of £100 per annum for stipend was made to the district of Darvel Hill, and a grant at the rate of £50 per annum was granted to the Vicar of the St. John's, Springfield, Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, in favour of the finance committee, including £1 for £200 for the removal of a church at Pittwater, £1 for a grant at the rate of £100 towards the endowment of a church at Blenheim.

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In connection with the yacht race held on Saturday last, we are requested to mention that the winning yacht, Magic, was sailed by Mr. W. Miller. The usual monthly meeting of the committee of the City Night Refuge and Soup Kitchen was held on Saturday afternoon. Present: Captain Deane, R.N. (in the chair), Messrs. Lowe, Crocker, Monk, Watson, and Tait. The meeting was opened with a hymn. The Rumanian Deaf and Dumb Fund was £128 14s. 6d. in cash, in respect of ticket sales, and, in my opinion, Mr. Hampson must be held accountable for £28 19s. 10d. the difference between £150 in dispute between himself and Mr. Ferrier, and £15 10s. 8d. which he has paid into the bank in excess of the money he has charged himself with in his account book. I am also of opinion that Mr. Ferrier is accountable for £2 10s. the sum his own figures show he had paid over since the 11th October last.

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The Marine Board concluded the hearing of evidence yesterday in the case of the wreck of the Mary Bantam at the Clarence River bar, and decided to call on Captain Pest, the master, to show cause why his certificate should not be cancelled or suspended. The ground of the citation is that the master lost the vessel in attempting to enter the river while the stand-off signal was flying. Captain Pest alleged that the pilot had said he would fly the stand-off signal when his vessel came in unless he was engaged as pilot to take her in. Pilot McCaffery denied the accusation, and explained that he received no remuneration for bringing vessels in, and had no personal interest in keeping them out.

The immigrants who came up to Sydney yesterday from the Quarantine Station proceeded direct to the Immigration Office, Macquarie-street, where most of them separated to go to their friends, etc. There are no formal hiring, the few immovable women amongst these immigrants having friends to go to. There are still a few persons remaining in quarantine, but they will be released in a few days.

The City Coroner (Mr. H. Shield, J.P.) resumed the inquest at the Assembly Hotel, Hunter-street, yesterday, into the circumstances connected with the death of Joseph Kenyon, who it was alleged expired in the Sydney Hospital on the 28th ultimo, from the effects of injuries he received whilst fighting with a man named Book at Miller's Point, in the forenoon of the same day. Several witnesses were examined, and the evidence went to show that deceased commenced the quarrel and struck the first blow. The Coroner having summed up, the jury, after deliberating for a few moments, returned the following verdict:—"We find that Joseph Kenyon died from the effects of injuries which he received whilst fighting with Charles Book on the 28th ultimo, and we further find that at the time the said Charles Book was only acting in the defence of his person from injury, and that he did not employ more force than was necessary

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)MELBOURNE TRAMWAY TRUST LOAN.
LONDON, Feb. 1.
The 4½ per cent. Melbourne Tramway Trust Loan of £250,000, tenders for which are to be opened to-morrow, has reached a premium of £2 5s.THE EXPULSION OF POLES FROM PRUSSIA.
LONDON, Feb. 1.
The Prussian Diet has approved of the expulsion of the Poles from Prussia.

THE MINISTERIAL CRISIS IN ENGLAND.

[BY CABLE.]
(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)LONDON, Feb. 1.
The Marquis of Hartington disagrees with the Irish policy of Mr. Gladstone.
The Earl of Rosebery will in all probability take office in the new Administration as Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

(BARTON'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Feb. 1.
It is announced that the Marquis of Hartington, who agreed to accept a seat in the Gladstone Cabinet, has now withdrawn his consent. The Earl of Derby and Lord Cardingford, who were also asked by Mr. Gladstone to join his Ministry, have declined to do so.

INTERCOLONIAL NEWS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)VICTORIA.
MELBOURNE, MONDAY.
Bishop Moorhouse was the principal speaker at a meeting held in the Town Hall to-night, in support of the fund for the relief of the sufferers through the Heysbury Forest bush fires. The Mayor of Melbourne announced that in a few days he had obtained subscriptions amounting to £1100. The sum of £170 was collected in the hall. It was stated that £20,000 was needed, and further that in all the Catholic churches of the diocese collections were about to be made. Mr. James Munro and several members of the Legislative Assembly were present at the meeting.

A meeting was held to-night in the Temperance Hall, in furtherance of the newly-formed National Liberal League. George Johnstone, a publican, carrying on business at Paradise Flat, near St. Arnaud, died to death on Saturday, in consequence of having fallen upon some pieces of a broken teapot. Mr. Johnstone was riding in a trap, when, owing to his conveyance having been run into by a runaway horse, he was thrown out of the vehicle.

The half-yearly meeting of the Commercial Bank of Australia was held to-day. The report of the directors was adopted, recommending the payment of a dividend at the rate of 12½ per cent., which is 2½ per cent. more than has usually been declared.

It was announced that 80,000 additional shares had been issued and promptly taken up, thus bringing the paid-up capital to £800,000. The retiring directors, Mr. Mowbray (chairman) and Mr. G. S. Coppin, M.L.A., were re-elected. The man in the course of his speech, alluded, amidst applause, to the conduct of Mr. Hill, the officer in charge of the sub-branch in Collingwood, at which there was recently an attempt to rob the bank. He said that the management had already recognised, and still would not lose sight of, or forget, Mr. Hill's services.

Arrivals: Hampshire, barque, from London; Cymore, barque, from Calcutta; Hestepur, ship, from Boston; Elasmang (s.), from Sydney; Adelaide (s.), from Adelaide; Buningyong (s.), Konowarwa (s.), Maron, from Sydney; Tarantum (s.), and Flado (s.), from Newcastle.

Departures: City of Agra, barque, for London; Flinders (s.), for Launceston.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, MONDAY.
Miss Newman, who was arrested on Saturday on a charge of infanticide—having, it is alleged, been discovered in the act of burning the body of her newly-born infant—is a married woman, but she has been separated for some years from her husband, who is employed in the Hallway Department. The accused lived with her children in a hotel at Indooroopilly. Her infant child was born on Friday morning. The accused asserts that the infant was dead, and that, to hide her shame, she attempted to burn the body. The doctors who made the post mortem examination agree, however, with the opinion that the child had lived. The woman shows no sign of mental derangement.

It has been stated on good authority that since the passing of the Act prohibiting the sale of arms to kanakas, the returning islanders take a considerable amount of coin with them to their islands, where they purchase guns and ammunition, without restriction, from the traders. A young girl named Mary Ann Schweikert, 18 years old, disappeared in a very strange manner last Thursday evening. She was in the employment of Mr. Clements, butcher, Kangaroo Point. On the evening named she went into the yard, and left her hat on a kitchen table. No trace of her has since been found, although the police have been making inquiries.

The weather continues very unsettled. Several heavy showers fell to-day.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, MONDAY.

The members of the National Irish League waited on Dr. O'Doherty, M.P., on the arrival of the M.M.S. Sydney at the Semaphore to-day, and congratulated him on his election for Meath in the Imperial Parliament. They also presented him with a handsome address of a congratulatory character. Dr. O'Doherty, in reply, expressed his belief that an Irish Parliament would be established next in the near future.

Wheat and flour are unchanged. There is no business doing in the general markets.

Shore Report:—Broken Hill, £21 to £24; Day Dream, £1 6s. to £1 6s. 6d.

Arrived: M.M.S. Sydney, from Sydney; Victoria (s.), from Melbourne.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, MONDAY.

Admiral Tryon was entertained at luncheon at Christchurch to-day. In the course of a speech which he made on the occasion, he stated that he was authorised to say that the Imperial authorities were not negligent of any negligence in defending the colonies, and that they had no desire to shirk any responsibility. He rejoiced to find that the colonies were adopting defensive measures. He further said that he was strongly in favour of a colonial fleet working in conjunction with the Imperial Navy.

Sir Alexander Stewart was present at the meeting of the Anglican Synod to-night. He addressed the synod, and referred at length to religious education in New South Wales.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN CABLE RATES.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)BRISBANE, MONDAY.
Mr. John Read's proposal for the reduction of the cable rates, contained in a recent cablegram to the Premier of Queensland, has not it is understood, yet been formally considered by the Government, nor have the Premier's views yet been communicated to him. There is, however, good reason for believing that the proposal will not be favourably entertained, the Government having already intimated their decision not to proceed with a duplicate cable as that indicated by

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL.

DEPORTATION OF FRENCH CRIMINALS.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

HOBART, MONDAY.

for the purpose of bringing it within the scope of that Council that the limitation was put in.

Mr. Douglas considered that the bill was within the jurisdiction of the Council, and he should support its second reading.

The motion for the second reading of the bill was agreed to.

The Council then adjourned till to-morrow.

PRESENTATION TO BISHOP MOORHOUSE.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, MONDAY.

At a meeting of the Church of England laymen held to-day, it was resolved to present Bishop Moorhouse with an address congratulating him upon his promotion, and also thanking him for his labours in this colony, and wishing that he and Mrs. Moorhouse may long be spared to labour in their new sphere. It was decided to ask Dr. Moorhouse to permit the newspaper reports of his lectures on the Gospel of St. Paul to be published in a permanent form. Accompanying the address will be a testimonial, which will take the form of a souvenir, and every member of the Church of England diocese will have an opportunity of signing the address and making a contribution.

Dr. Dodds gave notice of a motion for the establishment of an Australian Court of Appeal.

Mr. Griffith moved the adoption of an address to the Governor, asking for all information that may be deemed expedient with respect to the action of the French Government, as to the proposed deportation of released criminals to French possessions in the Pacific. He pointed out the urgency of the question. A resolution was passed at the Inter-colonial Convention of 1882, protesting against the Government of France sending a large number of criminals to the French possessions in the Pacific. At that time the French Parliament was considering a bill in which it was anticipated that New Caledonia or some island in the Pacific would be adopted as the principal port of deportation for criminals. Much correspondence took place on the subject, and a great deal was done by the colonies. He did not now expect much danger from recidivists being sent to New Caledonia, but although there was no cause for alarm, it would be convenient to have the information up to the present time printed in the proceedings of the Council.

Mr. Berry agreed with the motion, but also thought that the information might be procured from the Governments of the various colonies. He was under the impression that recent information indicated that the French Government contemplated sending criminals to New Caledonia again.

Dr. McGregor supported the motion. He thought all the papers should be laid before the Council. The question was still as important as when it was before the convention, though it was under-estimated in Europe. French convicts were not sent out as settlers or colonists, but because it was felt that they constituted a social and moral evil to their own country, and they might prove a social and moral danger to us. Late last year Caledonia saw large numbers of convicts landed. It was true every possible precaution was taken to prevent their escape, but still escape did sometimes occur. It was impossible for convicts to settle in New Caledonia, and it was therefore important that we should watch their future. For these reasons.

Mr. Dickson thought that the question was one of great importance to all Australasia, and a strong remonstrance should be made by the colonies against the deportation of French criminals to the Pacific. The President had thought that the danger of an influx of French criminals was reduced to a minimum and that France had given up the idea; but within the last few days a despatch had been received which contained a letter from Lord Lyons, to whom the colonies were greatly indebted, stating that French criminals were to be divided into two categories—first, those who could, as artisans or otherwise, earn their own living, and second, those who would have to be provided for by the authorities and made to work. The second class was by far the most dangerous to be sent to Guiana or New Caledonia. If this was found necessary, it might produce disastrous consequences to these colonies. He trusted that before the close of the session the council would give a distinct and deliberate expression of opinion on the subject.

Mr. Lee-Steeve said that his colony, though distant, sympathised with the other colonies on this question. The motion was carried.

Mr. Berry moved the second reading of the Federal Bill. He would not ask the council to go into committee until to-morrow, when he would ask that certain amendments be made. The bill proposed to deal with judgments of inferior Courts, as well as the Supreme Courts; and he would ask that the Council should limit the operation of the bill to the Supreme Courts. The question was discussed at the Inter-colonial Conference of 1881, and the principle was adopted. At that conference the representative of Tasmania brought in a bill embodying a principle to enable the judgment of any court in Australia to be adopted by all the colonies, but owing to political exigencies, it was only adopted by Tasmania. He trusted that the council would remedy the matter in future.

Mr. Dodds was glad to hear the mover make amendment in the bill. It was doubtful whether the present law of Tasmania provided sufficient safeguards.

Mr. Lee-Steeve thought that the lay members might largely depend upon the legal members. It would be better if the bill included inferior as well as Supreme Courts.

Mr. Griffith saw a great difficulty in the question. In all the Australian colonies except Fiji there were laws by which the judgment of any Supreme Court might be不受。 Fiji was not included, because it was not a colony at the time the laws were made. As regarded the inferior courts, the matter required great consideration.

Dr. McGregor said that the bill was of great importance. The Government of Fiji had always felt a sense of responsibility to the colonies, and had a disadvantage in not being placed on the same footing as the other colonies.

Mr. Dickson thought the bill would be a questionable benefit to the three colonies, but it would benefit Fiji. The best plan would be to read the bill a second time in order to affirm the principle, and then let the amendments be considered at a future session.

Mr. Douglas thought that it would be better to refer the bill to a select committee. In many respects it was no improvement upon the present law, but rather the reverse.

At a special meeting of the miners' delegates, it was resolved that a cablegram should be forwarded to Mr. Thomas Burt, M.P. (England), to inform him that the Lambton men are still on strike. It was further resolved that the strike be set at 3d. per member, and that the Miners' Lodge be recommended to endeavour to raise £100 per man extra each fortnight in aid of the Lambton family relief fund.

The Wharf Labourers' Association held a meeting to-night when 23 new members joined the society. At the same meeting fresh officers were appointed.

TARZEE, MONDAY.

A meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, on the Wollondri Reserve, to raise funds for a cottage hospital at Plattsburg. It was a failure, through a misunderstanding between the minister of religion and the promoters of the movement. Mr. House, the mayor of Plattsburg, presided. The attendance was small, and nothing was done, the meeting being postponed to a more favourable opportunity.

The President said that the subject was introduced in a model bill submitted to the British Parliament, and it was, therefore, considered ripe for discussion and legislation. One member thought it was of no value unless it included inferior courts; but they must not proceed to legislate unless they could carry public feeling in the federated colonies with them. The effect of the bill would be most felt on the border line between the colonies, where men evaded their creditors by stepping across the border. The wisest course would be to go slowly, and deal only with judgments of the Supreme Courts, and leave the other matter to a future session. He agreed with Mr. Douglas that it would be better to refer the bill to a select committee.

Mr. Berry moved that the bill should be referred to a Select Committee, consisting of Messrs. Griffith, Dodds, and the mover.

This was carried.

The Council went into committee to consider the Federal Council Interpretation Bill. Several verbal amendments were made in the interpretation clause concerning matters of detail. Clause 6, relative to the time of commencement of the Act, and clause 12, "Acts to become effective subsequently," were both struck out.

The bill was reported with amendments.

Mr. Griffith moved the second reading of the Federal Evidence Bill. He said the title fully explained the object of the measure, which was to make their legislation effective by providing what shall be evidence.

Mr. Griffith said that the bill was limited to three matters—the service of civil process, judgments of Courts of the Australian colonies, and the enforcement of criminal process. He would move an amendment in committee to make the application general, and also other amendments.

Mr. Dodds doubted whether the Council had the power to pass this bill, as it had not been referred to the Legislature of any colony. It would be better to read it a second time, and refer it to the standing committee with instructions to bring up a report next session.

Mr. Service thought the bill was necessary, and it was

for the purpose of bringing it within the scope of that Council that the limitation was put in.

Mr. Douglas considered that the bill was within the jurisdiction of the Council, and he should support its second reading.

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THE FATAL FIRE AT PLATTSBURG.

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THE WEATHER IN THE COUNTRY.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BRAIDWOOD, MONDAY.

The weather during the past three days has been very wintry.

GRAFTON, MONDAY.

During the last two days the weather has been extremely cold.

GUNDAGAI, MONDAY.

During the past three days the weather has been remarkably cool for this time of the year. The thermometer has been hovering between 62 and 60 degrees. A slight change will follow this afternoon, and there is a probability of further rain.

TAREE, MONDAY.

Sudden rain has fallen during the last few days.

WOLLONGONG, MONDAY.

A peculiar case of interest to publicans was heard to-day before the local bench, when a local publican was prosecuted by the police for having allowed liquor to be drunk at his public bar on Sunday. The persons who it was alleged, had been drinking were bairns and were behind the bar, having entered from the licensee's private apartment.

The act of drinking was not disputed, but Mr. Lipcombe, for the defence, contended that no breach of the Act had been committed, inasmuch as the drinking did not take place at the bar, though in the bar, but virtually in the landlord's private apartment. The general public had no access to the inside of the bar, the portion of the premises is necessarily private. The bench, after consideration, decided that the objection that had been taken was fatal to the prosecution.

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Municipal Elections.

BALMAIN.—SOUTH-WEST WARD.
The friends and supporters of Alderman BURNS will meet at Mr. Smith's Morton State Hotel, Western-street, at 8 o'clock this EVENING, to hear his views on the present question. THOMAS DAVIDSON, Hon. Sec., see his program.

ELECTORS OF BURWOOD—NORTH WARD.

A PUBLIC MEETING of the Friends and Supporters of Mr. A. BREWSTER will be held at Hause's Hotel at half-past 4 p.m. WEDNESDAY, 3rd instant. All are respectfully invited to attend, and hear the Candidate's views on matters affecting the Borough.

R. BALDWIN, Hon. Sec.

BOROUGH OF THE GLEBE.—Electors of Forest, Leigh Ward.—JOHN MILES, M.L.A., is a Candidate, and respectfully solicits your vote and interest.

BOROUGH OF THE GLEBE.—To the Ratepayers of St. Stephen's Ward, Liggins and Gosselins, Gentlemen who solicited my support, I now become a Candidate at the ensuing Municipal Election, I have much pleasure in consenting, and respectfully solicit your Votes and Interest. W. D. RICHARDSON, 1, Darwent-street, Glebe.

BOROUGH OF LEICHARDT.—MIDDLE WARD.

VOTE for T. H. COOGAN.

With the time and ability to serve you.

BOROUGH OF LEICHARDT.—MIDDLE WARD.

S. H. HOGG's Committee meets on TUESDAY NIGHT at 8 p.m.

A. E. HEARN, Hon. Sec.

LICHARDT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS—NORTH WARD.—Ratepayers—These Aldermen are recommended to you by Messrs. McGRATH and WINSTON, CAMPBELL, etc., who are your neighbours. Their practical and large interests in your ward, and know your requirements. Be sure at the poll and vote for them. Polling DAY, SATURDAY, 3rd February, 1886, at 8 o'clock. Polling PLACE, at the House, Henry-st., Glebe-street, R. CUNNINGHAM, Hon. Sec. LOST, and wanted to be found, ALDERMAN to represent Leichardt.

Vote for A. E. HEARN!

Yes, we will vote for him.

RATEPAYERS OF MIDDLE WARD, LEICHARDT.—Mr. DANIEL DORE, of John-street, will address the ratepayers of his ward, at Mrs. Dore's, a Stock, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock, at Mr. Currie's Catherine-street, at 8 o'clock. Mr. Henry Brown will take the chair.

W. CARROLL, Secretary.

MUNICIPALITY OF MANLY.

ELLECTION OF ALDERMEN.

FIVE TO BE ELECTED.

C. H. HAYER,

and ROBERT EVANS,

are Candidates for Re-election, and solicit the support of the Ratepayers.

Polling Day: FRIDAY, 5th February.

Manly—Council chamber.

Sydney—Exchange.

Rooms at 5 p.m.

J. G. GRIPPIN

R. B. RAILEY

See Candidates for the vacancies in the Council caused by the resignation of Mr. Hayer, Esq., and Mr. Evans, Esq., and solicit the support of the Ratepayers, and will do all they can in maintaining the progressive character of the Council of Manly.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE—ANNUAL ELLECTION OF ALDERMEN AND AUDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that a PUBLIC MEETING of the Electors of the Borough of Marrickville will be held at the Town Hall, Marrickville, on TUESDAY, 6th February, 1886, for the purpose of Nominating and Electing Three ALDERMEN (one for each Ward) and two AUDITORS, in some of those returning by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

WILLIAM SHAW,

Mayoral and Returning Officer.

Town Hall, Marrickville, 15th January, 1886.

BOROUGH OF MARRICKVILLE—COOK'S RIVER WARD.

No. J. BALMER, Esq., address the Ratepayers at O'Connor's Riverside Hotel, TURPIN-street, Paddington, at 8 o'clock. Gladstone Hotel, WENDELL-street, Paddington, at 8 o'clock. Balmer's Bazaar, Wenlock-street, Warren Estate, THURSDAY, February 4th, at 8 o'clock.

J. P. SMITH, Mayor.

Town Hall, Newington, 18th January, 1886.

PADDINGTON ELECTION (LOWER WARD).—Mr. DAVID COULTER will address the Electors TO-NIGHT, at the Britannia Hotel, Paddington, at 8 o'clock. Several influential gentlemen will also address the meeting.

BOROUGH OF RANDWICK—MIDDLE WARD.

Alderman E. NAPPER is a CANDIDATE at the forthcoming election, and respectfully solicits your VOICE and INTEREST. A full account of his standing, and has the time, means, and ability to serve you.

BOROUGH ST. LEONARDS—TO THE RATEPAYERS, TUNKS WARD.

Notice is hereby given that a PUBLIC MEETING of the Electors of the Borough of St. Leonards will be held at the Council-chambers, Pitt-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, 6th February, 1886, for the purpose of Nominating and Electing Two ALDERMEN (one for each Ward) and two AUDITORS, in some of those returning by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

R. H. HARNETT, Jun.

10, George-street, Sydney, January 28, 1886.

TUNKS' WARD, BOROUGH OF ST. LEONARDS.

VOTE for R. HARNETT, Jun., who has done more for the district than any other candidate.

TO THE ELECTORS, TUNKS' WARD, ST. LEONARDS.

Mr. CHAS. CONWELL has much pleasure in informing his friends that he has made arrangements by which the Mayor has kindly consented to have a Polling Booth on the Wharf at Moore's Bay, Polling Day, SATURDAY, 6th instant, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The election will be conducted in a simple and expeditious manner, and if any voter can't find his name on the roll, he may depend upon my using every effort to advance the Borough to the proud position of being a majority.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

R. HARNETT, Jun.

Strathfield, January 15, 1886.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF STRATHFIELD—LOCAL OPTION VOTE.

NOTICE is hereby given that, under the provisions of Licensing Act 4 Vic., No. 14, and 46 Vic., No. 24, A VOTE of the ratepayers will be taken on TUESDAY, the second day of February, 1886, for the purpose of Nominating and Electing One ALDERMAN and Two AUDITORS, for the place of Messrs. Philip Wynter Robinson and Frederick William Parsons, whose term of office expires.

Combinations of candidates must be in writing, addressed to the Returning Officer, and delivered at the Council-chambers, Strathfield, seven days at least before the said 2nd of February next.

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MUNICIPALITY OF WEST BOTANY.

NOTICE—Persons whose rates are unpaid are hereby reminded that they are NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE. Rates will NOT be received on the Polling Day.

W. G. JUDD,

Mayor and Returning Officer.

West Botany, January 29, 1886.

ELECTORS OF WEST BOTANY—THOMAS A. PRICE

is a Candidate.

Vote for him, and abolish building and such nuisances.

WEST BOTANY MUNICIPALITY—TO THE RATEPAYERS OF WEST BOTANY WARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen—My term of office as one of your Aldermen being about to expire by effluxion of time, I beg respectfully to inform you that (by the request of a large number of the ratepayers) I am to stand for re-election.

I shall be most grateful to you to receive your endorsement for the past nine years, and, without any egotism on my part, I think it fair to say that my services in the past as Alderman will be still in the future.

I have myself with every confidence in your hands, and am

Ladies and Gentlemen—Yours obediently,

E. GODFREY.

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LOOK OUT FOR A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE GAETY THEATRE.

LADIES, please do your purchases with WEINSTEIN'S, NEWTON, Clearance Sale. NEWTON-street, NEWTON. Clearance Sale. COALFIELD'S ESTATE, NEWTON. Clearance Sale. COALFIELD'S PLAN and GOODSELL'S PLAN for GOODSELL'S ESTATE, NEWTON. Sale next Saturday afternoon. Hardie and Gorman.

COAL, Firewood, &c.

THE SYDNEY AND SUBURBAN WOOD AND COAL COMPANY. Limited, having commenced business, wholesale and retail, in July last, at their premises, 10, Pitt-street, Sydney, supply all kinds of firewood, Coal, and Mountain Coal (Zig Zag). Special terms for full or part cargoes. The lowest prices paid for all kinds of wood, coal, &c., sent to either of the Yards, or to the Head Office, 5, Temple-court, King-street, where prompt attention will be given to every order.

J. C. BOULDING, Manager.

WANTED ASSISTANCE IN MATHEMATICS for matriculation. Apply Neophyte, General Post Office.

Stock, Shares, and Money.

BOROUGH OF BATHURST—LOAN ON GASWORKS, £12,000.

The Council of the Borough of Bathurst, having obtained the necessary permission from His Excellency the Governor, as provided for in section 100 of the Municipalities Act of 1867, and section 5 of the Muni. Act of 1872, do hereby require TENDER from persons willing to lend the above-mentioned sum of £12,000 in debentures of £100 each, to have a currency of thirty (30) years, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, payable half-yearly.

No application for a smaller number than five (5) debentures will be accepted.

Tenders to be sent to the office of the brokers to the council, Elson-chambers, 29, Pitt-street, under cover, and endorsed "Tender for Loan," or before Monday the 20th day of February next.

T. J. THOMPSON, Esq., Eddon-and-Somers, 52, Pitt-street, Sydney.

Sydney, 27th January, 1886.

LAND COMPANY OF AUSTRALASIA, Limited.

THE FEDERAL BANK OF AUSTRALIA, Limited.

PROJECTS OF THE COMPANY.

BOROUGH OF WATERLOO—INTEREST.

YOUR VOTE OF INTEREST are respectfully requested in favour of JOHN H. GEDDES.

POLLING DAY: SATURDAY, February 6th, from 8 a.m. till 8 p.m.

BOROUGH OF WATERLOO—OF WATERLOO.

JOHN H. GEDDES, CANDIDATE FOR ALDERMAN, NELSON WARD, WAVERLEY.

Mr. JAMES FULLPORY'S COMMITTEE will please meet at the Robin Hood Hotel, Charing Cross, THURSDAY NIGHT at 7.30 sharp; business of great importance. Ratepayers favorably to Mr. Fullpory's return are requested to attend.

A. HUENEIN, Hon. Sec.

Public Companies.

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Capital—£250,000.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £250,000.

RESERVE FUND 40,000.

HEAD OFFICE—185, Pitt-street, SYDNEY.

Auction Sales.

WAVERLEY Great Land Sale, next Saturday. Free from tickets. RICHARDSON and WRENCH.

HORSE, CAB, AND HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

The above first-class turnout.

DOUBLE-SEATED BUGGY AND HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A double-seated buggy, in good order.

And set of harness.

WELL-BRED HORSE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A handsome grey gelding, thoroughly broken to saddle and a good buggy horse.

Horse, Express Wagon, and Harness.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A chestnut gelding, very trim, stand tram Express wagon and harness, in good repair.

All without reserve.

Fresh Country Horse.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

An active bay gelding, 4 years; would make a splendid van horse.

Subject to light or heavy harness trial.

Light Cart, Draw, and Harness.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A heavy drayman mare (any trial), with strong town dray and harness, in good order.

Being sold as an owner's mare for Melbourne.

Lady's Hackney.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from H. Gray, Esq., Goulburn, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

A bay gelding, quiet, and good hack for lady or gentleman, and used to train.

TO CARMEN AND OTHERS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A good harness horse, cab, and harness.

SADDLE AND HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A bright bay gelding, 4 years, broken to saddle and harness, in good order.

Express wagon and harness, in good repair.

All without reserve.

FRESH HORSE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. J. D. CALLAGHAN, of Arrows, Handwick, to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

A very handsome dark bay pony mare, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, in good order.

With a very good set of saddle-mounted harness, and pony gog, the latter recently out of the builder's hands.

STYLISH DARK CHESTNUT VICTORIA HORSE.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from Mr. William Landford, Gulliford, to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

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A handsome bay horse, 4 years, broken to saddle and double harness, and is very quiet.

STYLISH HORSE AND VICTORIA.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from L. G. Davidson, Esq., to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock.

A handsome horse, perfect, dark, and reliable in harness.

An elegant Victoria, like one equal to new.

FALCON.

To Racing Men and Others.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from D. Farwell, Esq., Goulburn, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

FALCON, the thoroughbred filly foaled October 1879, by Captainstar (imp.), dam Flairage by Warlike (imp.), from Flairage by Magna (imp.), &c.

Full price £1000, less 10% at sale.

For sale without reserve.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will be sold by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

A pair of light carriage horses, specially advertised; and at 12 o'clock, all lots specially advertised.

Regular sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Campdenor any time.

LIVERY; In this department charges moderate and best of fare.

BUGGY HORSE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from the administratrix in the estate of the late D. Bedford, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, February 3, at 12 o'clock.

A pair of light carriage horses, specially advertised; and at 12 o'clock, all lots specially advertised.

Regular sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Campdenor any time.

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NEAT BUGGY TURNOUT.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, February 3, at 12 o'clock.

A pair of light carriage driving, broken to saddle and harness, thoroughly strown, also single-headed buggy and harness, making a nice turnout.

18 KLAMA HORSES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Messrs. Jones and Rowland to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, at 12 o'clock.

Pairs of light carriage driving, broken to saddle and harness, thoroughly strown, also single-headed buggy and harness, making a nice turnout.

TO PRIVATE GENTLEMEN, and OTHERS.

The Best LADY TURNOUT in Sydney for SALE.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions from Mr. C. Kidman, Coombe Bay, to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, Pitt-street, TO-MORROW, Wednesday, at 12 o'clock.

A pair of magnificently built geldings, 17 hands, well-matched.

Two pairs of light carriage driving, broken to saddle and harness, thoroughly strown, also single-headed buggy and harness, making a nice turnout.

STYLISH BUGGY HORSE, HARNESS, and BUGGY.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from Mr. H. R. Ferguson, Dunedin, New Zealand, to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

One very handsome, well-bred black cob gelding.

TO READERS OF FAMILIES, STUDMASTERIES, DAIRYMEN, and OTHERS.

PURE AYRSHIRE CATTLE,

Ex Hauro.

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PURE AYRSHIRE CALF, 12 months.

TO PRIVATE GENTLEMEN, and OTHERS.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from Mr. Kennedy, S. Ferguson, Waikato Farm, Dunedin, New Zealand, to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar THIS AFTERNOON, at 12.30 p.m.

Two pure Ayshire bull, recently landed from New Zealand.

PEDIGREE AT SALE.

TO PRIVATE GENTLEMEN, and OTHERS.

BROWN BROS. and CO. have received instructions from Mr. A. Bennett, Esq., Brush Farm (who is proceeding to America) to sell by auction, at their City Horse and Cattle Bazaar, TO-MORROW, at 12 o'clock.

A very handsome gelding, 16 hands, thoroughly broken to saddle and all kinds of harness, stands trim, would make a grand cavalry charger or carriage horse.

TO THE WHOLESALE TRADE, and OTHERS.

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At the Auctioneers,
WARWICK-TERRACE, No. 5, MONGAR-STREET,
WOOLLAHRA.

Near the Tunks' Hotel, Waverley-road.

THE WHOLE OF HIS EXCELLENT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS,
comprising,
BRILLIANT-TONE PIANOFORTE in WALNUT CASE, by
FIFER GLASS in Black and Gold Frames
Walnut Loc Tubs, Eggshell Couch
BEDROOM FURNITURE,
BLACK LEAVANTINE MARBLE CLOCK with visible Escapement
Sheets, Vases, Ornaments, Pictures
BRUSSELS CARPETS, Lac Curables, Blinds, Corridors, Palms,
&c.

EXHIBITED CAR, Grand WAGONETTE, Oak Dining Table
MAHOGANY SUITE covered in Maroon Morocco
E. P. Ware, Dinner Plates, Glassware
BEDROOM FURNITURE, Kitchen Utensils, &c.

To Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, Furniture Warehouses,
Commission Agents, Brokers, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN are instructed by Mr. H.
LAWRENCE, to sell the above, **SALE BY AUCTION,**
THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at his residence, No. 5, MON-
CUE-STREET, WOOLLAHRA; now the Waverley route.

NO RESERVE.

TERMS AT SALE.

THIS DAY, FEBRUARY 2,
at 11 a.m.**FOR SALE BY AUCTION.**

Under instructions from the Importers.

262 BOSTON CANDLES
240 Cases Ointments
261 Cases Devote's KEROSENE OIL
72 tins HARD LARDINES
60 Boxes Fish Oily Ointment
50 Boxes Curants

120 Boxes Dates
15 Cases of HAM'S HAMS
12 Cases Fins and Fisher's Hams
1 Case Clarke's CANDIED PINEAPPLE
1 Case Devote's Oily Ointment
1 Case CONDENSED MILK, Shepherd Brand

10 Cases WINE LAGER BEER, qts., Black Botts.
10 ditto ditto qts., White Botts.
5 ditto Hellekens ditto, qts.

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6 Cases St. Julian Claret

150 ditto Fairplay Lime Juice Cordial.

To Grocers, Chandlers, Tea Dealers, Oilsellers, Stockkeepers,
Shipper, Dealers, &c.

HARRIS and ACKMAN will sell the above BY
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STREET, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

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THIS DAY, FEBRUARY 2,
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100 POCKETS COLONIAL SUGARS

100 BAGS QUEENSLAND DATES.

to Wholesalers Grocers, Shippers, Merchants, Stockkeepers,
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THIS DAY, 2nd FEBRUARY,
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BEDROOM SUITES, FIRE-PLACE ARM,
LACON THREE-WING WARDROBES, in polished cedar, fitted
with mirrored centre-doors, &c.

DUCTED TOILET TABLES and MARBLE-TOP WASH-
STANDS.

SINGLE WARDROBES, in cedar and pine
Chests of Drawers, Bedsteads, Boxes, Boxes Charts
Mahogany and 4-poster Enclosed and Enamelled Iron BED-
STEADS of superior design.

DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE,
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